IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH AT HYDERABAD

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE V.V.S.RAO

WRIT PETITION NO.13896 of 2007

DATED 22-8-2007

BETWEEN

Puchhakayala Jagan

.. Petitioner

And

The District Panchayat Officer,
Warangal, Warangal District and 3 others.

.. Respondents

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Oral Order:

The second respondent gram panchayat invited tenders for awarding the contract of water supply works in the village by engaging 15 labourers for a period of one year with effect from 1.4.2007 to 31.3.2008. The petitioner herein submitted a tender offering the services at Rs.2,16,000/- . He is allegedly the lowest tenderer. In spite of the same, the second respondent passed a resolution on 23.4.2007 awarding the contract to the fourth respondent. Therefore, the petitioner filed the instant writ petition assailing the order of the second respondent dated 23.4.2007 awarding the work to fourth respondent.

At the time of admission of the writ petition, learned standing counsel for the Gram Panchayat stated that in view of the pendency of O.A.No.2005 of 2007, the Gram Panchcayat did not finalise the tenders and that the work is being attended by the labour contractor who was engaged for water supply in the village.

The matter is again coming up for further orders. The learned counsel for the petitioner brought to the notice of this Court that the gram panchayat has cancelled the tenders and decided to continue the casual labour/NMR employees as per the orders of the Andhra Pradesh Administrative Tribunal in O.A.No.2005 of 2007. In view of the submission, the cause of action does not survive. It shall however be open to the gram panchayat to issue fresh tenders, if so advised, keeping in view the orders of the learned Tribunal, referred to hereinabove.

The writ petition, with the above observation, is dismissed. No costs.

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V.V.S.RAO,J

Dated 22.8.2007
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